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The Hon. Mr. P. T. Rajan:—"As I have said, this Government will go on making representations to the Government of India."

Mr. V. M. Ramaswami Mudaliyar:—"May I ask whether the Government of India have replied to any of the representations made by this Government?"

The Hon. Mr. P. T. Rajan:—"I have already replied to a similar question put by Mr. Lakshmana Reddi, the hon. Member from Anantapur."

The Hon. the President:—"The hon. Member was not then in his place."

Khan Bahadur Mahmud Schamnad Sahib Bahadur:—"When was the last representation made to the Government of India? Was it during the course of last month?"

The Hon. Mr. P. T. Rajan:—"I should think so. As I said before, I cannot say definitely when it was made."

Co-operation

Liquidation of co-operative credit societies in Malabar in 1932–33.

* 765 *Q.*—Mr. Basheer Ahmed Sayeed: Will the Hon. the Minister for Public Works be pleased to state—

(*a*) how many co-operative credit societies in Malabar have been liquidated in 1932–33;

(*b*) what the amount actually realized is in each of the cases by liquidation;

(*c*) what the Government establishment is that is engaged in the liquidation of these societies;

(*d*) for how long they have been on such work;

(*e*) whether the Government have ever investigated the real causes of the accumulation of these overdues and the necessity that has recently arisen for the liquidation of these societies;

(*f*) whether the Government have investigated whether the Malabar District Bank auditing staff have been conducting proper and regular audit of these societies; and

(*g*) what the number of societies is that were functioning at the end of the official year 1932–33?

A.—(*a*) Twenty-six.

(*b*) A statement [a] showing the collections made up to December 1933 in each of the societies liquidated is appended.

(*c*) Four Government Inspectors are engaged in the liquidation work of 77 societies including the 26 societies liquidated in 1932–33.

(*d*) One Inspector from 4th January 1928 to 7th April 1931; two Inspectors from 8th April 1931 to 30th April 1933; and four Inspectors from 1st May 1933 onwards.

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(e) Enquiries were held under section 38 of the Madras Co-operative Societies Act, 1932, into the working, constitution and financial condition of these societies. When the reports of enquiry showed that the societies were really bad and beyond revival or rectification, their registration was cancelled. Generally the factors that necessitated the liquidation of these societies were mismanagement by office-bearers, the existence of benami loans, heavy overdues and bad or time-barred debts, the prevalence of factions and the absence of the minimum number of ten members required by section 45 of the Act. The case of each society was dealt with on its merits in the light of the reports of enquiry.

(f) The Malabar District Bank has no auditing staff.

(g) Six hundred and twenty-eight societies were functioning in the Malabar district on 30th June 1933.

Education

Representations, if any, for Government management of the three Muslim middle schools in Nandyal, Nellore and Cuddapah.

* 766 *Q.*—S. M. K. Beyabani Sahib Bahadur: Will the Hon. the Minister for Education and Excise be pleased to state—

(a) whether any representations have been made to the Government either by the public or by municipalities requesting the Government to take over charge of the three Muslim middle schools at Nandyal (Kurnool), Nellore and Cuddapah;

(b) whether it is a fact that they are net cost schools and the respective municipalities are saving money contributed by Government and using the same for different other purposes; and

(c) whether the Government have any report from the district educational authorities of the above schools, complaining of this fact and stating that the efficiency of the schools is going down?

A.—(a) No such representations have been received by Government in recent years.

(b) The 'net cost' of these schools is not met by Government; the municipal councils receive lump sum subsidies towards the cost of maintenance of the schools.

So far as the school at Nellore is concerned, the answer to the latter part of the question is in the negative. Separate figures of receipts and charges of the other two schools are not available.

(c) No.